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CONTINUING HIS FOUR-DAY VISIT TO SENEGAL, CONGRESSMAN CHARLES DIGGS, JR., CHAIRMAN OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON AFRICA OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, FLEW TO THE SENEGAL RIVER VALLEY ON SUNDAY, APRIL 10 TO SEE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN THAT AREA. CHAIRMAN DIGGS IS VISITING SIX WEST AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO DISCUSS BILATERAL RELATIONS, EXAMINE AMERICAN ASSISTANCE PROJECTS AND DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE TO THE SAHEL. ON HIS EASTER SUNDAY TRIP, MR. DIGGS WAS ACCOMPANIED BY AMERICAN AMBASSADOR O. RUDOLPH AGGREY AND STAFF MEMBERS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE UNITED STATES MISSION IN DAKAR.

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ON ARRIVAL AT RICHARD TOLL IN SENEGAL'S FLEUVE REGION, MR. DIGGS WAS GREETED BY LOCAL DIGNITARIES INCLUDING THE MAYOR OF DAGANA, MAKHA SARR, WHO IS A DEPUTY IN SENEGAL'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, AND ABDOURAHMANE KONATE, PREFECT OF DAGANA DEPARTMENT. MR. DIGGS WAS ALSO WELCOMED BY COLORFUL TROUPE OF TRADITIONAL DRUMMERS, DANCERS AND GRIOTS.

THE VISITING CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION VISITED AN 8,000 ACRE IRRIGATED PERIMETER BEING DEVELOPED AT DAGANA WITH WORLD BANK FINANCING BY SAED (SOCIETE POUR L'AMENAGEMENT ET L'EXPLOITATION DU DELTA-PRONOUNCED SAH-ED), A QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL COMPANY FORMED IN 1965 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION OF THE RIVER DELTA AS CULTIVATED FARMLAND.

AFTER TOURING PART OF THE ULTRA-MODERN 17,000 ACRE CSS (SENEGALESE SUGAR COMPANY) PLANTATION AT RICHARD TOLL, THE AMERICAN PARTY INVITED THEIR SENEGALESE COUNTERPARTS TO A LUNCHEON AT THE GITE D'ETAPE, A LOCAL HOTEL.

DURING THE VISIT, SAED OFFICIALS AND DAGANA PREFECT KONATE EXPRESSED WARM APPRECIATION FOR PAST ASSISTANCE RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED STATES AND VOICED SATISFACTION WITH THEIR CLOSE COOPERATION WITH OFFICIALS OF THE AMERICAN AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT. LEADERS OF DAGANA AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES REGISTERED PARTICULAR SATISFACTION WITH A GRAIN COMBINE OBTAINED WITH THE HELP OF USAID A MACHINE, WHICH HAS SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED THE AMOUNT OF WHEAT THEY ARE ABLE TO HARVEST.

CHAIRMAN DIGGS EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE UNUSUALLY WARM AND MEMORABLE HOSPITALITY WHICH HIS DELEGATION HAD RECEIVED DURING THEIR VISIT TO THE FLEUVE REGION. THE AMERICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADER POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS INCREASINGLY MISLEADING TO SPEAK OF "DONORS" AND "RECIPIENTS" WHEN DISCUSSING UNCLASSIFIED

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ASSISTANCE TO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. MR. DIGGS EMPHASIZED THAT WHAT WAS REALLY AT STAKE WAS "COOPERATION" WITH MUTUAL BENEFITS FOR EVERYONE CONCERNED. AGGREY

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